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Date: January 12, 2004

Sharon Yarborough
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: HELLAND

SERIAL NO.: 09/297,406

FILED: APRIL 29, 1999

FOR: CLAMPING DEVICE AND PRODUCTION
PROCESS

EXAMINER: JAMES BRITTAIN

ART UNIT: 3677

ATTY. DKT NO.: 59162-8005

Mail Stop: Box No-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL

- ☒ Transmitted herewith are the following documents for the above-referenced application:
- ☒ Amendment

STATUS

- ☒ Applicant is:
- ☒ small entity.

EXTENSION OF TIME

- ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

	Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$ 420.00	\$210.00

- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is hereby made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.

- ☐ An extension for ___ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$0.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested: No Extension fee due with this request

FEE FOR CLAIMS

- ☒ The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY Filing Fee: \$385.00	OR	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY Filing Fee: \$770.00
Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee	Rate
Total	20	Minus	20	=	x9=	\$	x18= \$0
Indep.	3	Minus	3	=	x43=	\$	x86= \$0
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+145=	\$	x290= \$0
					TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$	OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE \$0

- ☒ No additional fee for claims required.
☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$0.00

FEE PAYMENT

- ☐ Charge Account No. 50-2283 the sum of \$.

FEE DEFICIENCY

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees, additional fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-2283 (59162-8005.US01)

Respectfully submitted,
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2, amendments to the
Specification begin on page 3 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin
on page 4 of this paper. Please note the attached proposed drawing.